

## USFS – Mendocino National Forest

Comments submitted by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division to individual grant applicants should in no way be construed as a guarantee of successful results for the applicant within the competitive grants process or a commitment of funding. Additionally, the lack of comments by the OHMVR Division to any specific applicant does not ensure successful results for the applicant within the competitive grant process or a commitment of funding.

All final applications will be reviewed by the OHMVR Division. The OHMVR Division may, at its sole discretion, decrease the requested amount and eliminate activities pursuant with regulation Section 4970.07.2 (f)(1-5) and for law enforcement projects, regulation Section 4970.15.3(b)(1-5).

Failure by Applicant to respond to any OHMVR Division comment of their preliminary application shall be cause for eliminating that item from the Applicant's application.

If multiple proposed projects are requesting funding for the same deliverable, and multiple projects are successful, only one project will receive funding for the deliverable.

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for snow and/or winter activities. Applicants must ensure the activities and/or equipment requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the OHMVR Division Winter Program (commonly referred to as the Snow Grooming Program).

*For proposed projects requesting grant funding for the maintenance of roads and/or trails, note that only roads and/or trails that allow "green sticker" off-highway vehicles are allowed to receive grant funding.* Additionally, Applicants may not charge a use fee for vehicles and/or Equipment purchased with OHV Trust Funds, except for fuel and minor maintenance cost.

Applicants are reminded that no grant funds and/or match can be expended on project activities conducted in any land owned or managed by the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

### General Evaluation Criteria

- #1a-1c – Applicant must use their official and most recent data and adjust the numbers accordingly.
- #2 – #5, Applicant must verify response by final submission.
- #13 – Applicant must verify response by final submission.

Ground Operations – FY 19 Ground Operations	G17-02-10-G01
<b>Project Description</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicant must discuss all proposed equipment purchases, “GRD 17,000 GVWR” and “GRD Sound Meter”, in the Project Description.</li> </ul>	
<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff – “ULRD OHV Manager GS-9”, Grant Application submission is not a valid Project activity. Applicant must remove costs associated with Grant Application submission. Also, administration of active grants are indirect activities. Applicant must adjust by moving these costs to the Indirect Cost Category.</li> <li>Staff – “ULRD OHV Technician – FPO” tracking of OHV grant related expenditures is an indirect activity. Applicant must move these costs to the Indirect Cost Category.</li> <li>Staff – “ULRD Hydrologist”, Developing soil conservation plans are not eligible costs. Applicant must provide additional details explaining how these activities are directly related to the Project during the Project Performance Period or remove from the Project Cost Estimate.</li> <li>Staff – “GRD OHV Manager GS-9” and “GRD Overtime OHV Manager GS-9”, Special use permit administration is not related to this Project. Applicant must remove these costs from the Project Cost Estimate.</li> <li>Staff-“Inmate Labor Crews”, Applicant must provide more details for the duties being performed.</li> <li>Staff – “GRD Heavy Equip Operator WG-10” and Contracts – “GRD Trail Equipment Operators”, Line items are duplicative of one another. Applicant must provide more details to justify the need for both on the GRD and clarify the staff vs. contractor duties.</li> <li>Contracts – “GRD Weekly Garbage Service”, Applicant must explain the source of match.</li> <li>Materials/Supplies – ULRD Misc Hand Tools” and “GRD Misc Hand Tools”, Applicant must provide examples of proposed purchases.</li> <li>Materials/Supplies – ULRD and GRD “Trail Intrusion Mitigation Material” are Restoration activities and not eligible in a Ground Operation Project. Applicant must revise the Project Cost Estimate by removing these costs.</li> <li>Equipment Use – “URLD ATV Use &amp; Repair” Applicant must explain how many ATVs are budgeted for maintenance and repair.</li> <li>Equipment Purchases – “GRD Sound Meter”, Applicant must explain how this relates to the Project.</li> <li>Others – “GRD OHV Mgr Per Diem/Lodging” Applicant must explain how this is directly related to the Project and ensure requested amount is in compliance with its federal Per Diem/lodging policies.</li> </ul>	
<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>	

- #6 Project Description does not support “Providing an alternative to wet crossings...” Applicant must provide examples/details explaining how selection would be accomplished.
- #7 – Neither Project Description nor Project Cost Estimate support “Paper used for Trail maps...” or “Other products... table tops/benches” selections. Applicant must clarify if the distribution of maps will be a part of this Project.